

# State of New Jersey

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# NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY MEETING

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 2:00 P.M.

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Phone Conference ID: 350 190 833#

#### <u>MINUTES</u>

Notice of Public Meeting: Read by Chairperson, Sean Thompson: In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, notice of this meeting has been sent to the Star Ledger and the Trenton Times at least 48 hours prior to this meeting, and a meeting notice has been posted on the Secretary of State's bulletin board at the Department of State.

The following recusal process will be followed at all UEZ Board meetings:

- 1) To the extent feasible, meeting materials involving a matter from which a Board member must recuse himself or herself will not be distributed to the Board member.
- 2) At the subject Board meeting, the Board member must place his or her recusal and the reason therefor on the record prior to any discussion of the matter and shall not participate in any discussion or comment leading up to the vote nor shall the member participate in the vote. The recusal shall be noted in the minutes of the Board meeting.
- 3) In the event the matter in question shall be discussed at any non-public portion or executory session of the meeting, the Board member shall leave the meeting room and not return until the meeting has returned to public session.

**Roll Call:** Sean Thompson, Department of Community Affairs Chair Designee, Julie Diaz, The Department of Labor & Workforce Development Designee, Denise Harding, The Department of the Treasury Designee, Leslie Anderson, New Jersey Redevelopment Authority, and Tai Cooper, New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) Designee.



## Approval of July 14, 2021, UEZ Authority meeting minutes:

Motions:

Approve: Leslie Anderson Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Approval of the 2022 UEZ Authority Meeting Calendar:**

Motions:

Approve: Leslie Anderson Second: Denise Harding

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

## Rule Modification Resolution of N.J.A.C. 5:120-2.2(b)(2)

Executive Director, Tracy Fredericks read the Temporary Rule Modification adopted by the Members of the Urban Enterprise Zone Authority. This rule is an emergency adoption of a temporary rule modification of the Urban Enterprise Zone Authority ("UEZA") at N.J.A.C. 5:120-2.2(b)(2). Section 6 of EO 103, issued in response to the State of Emergency declared under the Disaster Control Act, authorizes agency heads to waive/suspend/modify any existing rule, where the enforcement of the rule would be detrimental to the public welfare during the emergency, notwithstanding the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act or any law to the contrary. Pursuant to that authority, and with the approval of the Governor, UEZA is modifying its rules.

Under this extended rule modification, the Administrator would be able to grant an additional extension for up to seven months and one week beyond the end of the public health emergency (that is, up to January 11, 2022) to businesses impacted by COVID-19 related hardships who demonstrate good faith efforts to meet the UEZ standards for recertification.

### **Old Business:**

### Other

None

# Open to the public

None

Adjournment: 2:16 pm

Motions:

Adjourn: Sean Thompson

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

# Ebony McNeill

I, Ebony McNeill taken at the December 8, 2021 Urban Enterprise Zone Authority Meeting